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Umm--Mr. PRESIDENT--IF IT REALLY IS YOU--I'M SORRY--I DIDN'T BRING YOU HERE TO HURT YOU.
EXACTLY. WHERE IS HERE, SON?
WE'RE IN THE EGG-VAULT OF THE FIREBORN, SIR.
PART OF A PLACE CALLED GALVANNA... Umm...THE LOST LAND.
IT'S SORT OF... Umm...AN INTER-DIMENSIONAL, INTER-SPATIAL, TRANS-TEMPORAL...
...SEWER...
...OF...
...THE...
...UNIVERSE.
BELIEVE ME, I KNOW HOW THAT SOUNDED...
ACTUALLY DIDN'T SOUND ANY DIFFERENT THAN WASHINGTON, D.C.
THAT'S A GOOD ONE, SIR.
GLAD YOU'RE KEEPING A SENSE OF HUMOR ABOUT THIS.
TUROK in
SNAKES IN THE HOUSE
Fabian Nicieza & Rafael Kayanan
Writer Artist
Don Hillsman Tinker
Comicraft's Dave Lanphear/SH Lettering
Acomie Paintbrush Color Art
Omar Buonvallr Snakes in his Pants
Lynaire Thompson Snakes in her Closet

HOPE YOU CAN LAUGH AT THIS, RUNT!
FA-SHASH!
MEH. I'M ONE BIG CHUCKLE OVER HERE.
FIZZLE POP
SINCE YOU ARMORINES ARE JUST GLORIFIED RENT-A-COPS, I'LL WORK HERE. LIKE I TALK IN SIMPLE WORDS.
THE LAWS OF PHYSICS DON'T ALWAYS WORK HERE, LIKE THEY DO ON EARTH.
UP. DOWN. LEFT. RIGHT. THERMO-DYNAMIC. ELECTROMAGNETIC. WAVELENGTHS.
OOOH! THAT WAS TOO MANY SYLLABLES FOR YOU!
NO!
BUT A RIGHT CROSS IS A RIGHT CROSS NO MATTER WHAT!
AAAAAH!
OH, YOU TOO?!

-SIGH-
OKAY, EVEN THOUGH I ONLY MEANT TO DRAG THE PREZ HERE...
...(NOT MY FAULT YOU GUYS WERE ON HIM LIKE HE'S ON FRIES)...
...I GUESS I AM RESPONSIBLE FOR YOU...
...SO--
FASHEENG
?!
THWAKK
NOW THEN, BOYS... WOULDN'T IT BE EASIER IF WE ALL JUST TALKED?

SO WHILE JOSH WAS HAVING A CAMPFIRE--
--EVIL WAS AFOOT IN THE NATION'S CAPITOL...
...(WELL, MAYBE NOT EVIL LIKE BRIMSTONE AND CACKLING LAUGHTER, BUT SOME PEOPLE WERE THINKING UP MEAN STUFF TO DO TO JOSH)...
IT'S BEEN TWO HOURS. IF HE DID TAKE THE PRESIDENT TO GALYANNA, HOW SAFE WILL HE BE THERE?
SAFER THAN HE WOULD BE AT A KENNETH STARR DEPOSITION. THERE IS A METHOD TO JOSHUA'S MADNESS, AARON.
HE THOUGHT THE FAKE PRESIDENT COULD FLUSH OUT OUR CO-CONSPIRATORS IN THE LOST LAND?
THEN HE WON'T GET VERY FAR.
WHY IS THAT?
BECAUSE THE MAN TUROK TOOK TO GALYANNA IS NOT THE MAN HE THINKS IT IS...
WHO THE %$#@ IS HE?!

WE WERE TIPPED OFF THAT THE PRESIDENT MIGHT BE ATTACKED THIS MORNING.
THE REAL PRESIDENT CLINTON WAS KEPT SAFELY AWAY FROM THE FESTIVITIES ON THE GREAT LAWN.
IN HIS PLACE, WE SUBSTITUTED AN ELITE UNDERCOVER OPERATIVE KNOWN AS *THE FACE DANCER.*
HOLOGRAMS.
I KNOW.
I ALSO KNOW HOW THE *DOMESTIC OPERATIONS AUTHORITY* MODIFIED THE TECHNOLOGY THEY HAD TAKEN FROM *CAPTURED DINOSOIDS.*

DINOSOIDS?
IT'S A LONG STORY.
WELL, SINCE IT SEEMS WE'RE NOT GOING ANYWHERE RIGHT NOW...
--SO BY THE TIME I SAW FREDDIE THE LENS THAT'D WASN'T A DINOSOID IN DISGUISE ANYMORE, IT WAS TOO LATE.
--TO ALREADY HAD A TELEPORTATIONAL LOCK.
SO THAT GUN YOU FIRED WASN'T MEANT TO KILL THE PRESIDENT?
NO, IT WAS FUELED BY METAPHRASCAPE ENERGY.
SOME ASS-THOSE OLD POLICE MARKS. THE "FOREVER FAMILY" CRISIS?
I KNOW THEM!
Mmhmm. BUT THEY DON'T KNOW ME.
I REALLY NEED YOU GUYS TO BELIEVE ME.
TAKE US BACK TO EARTH-C51A-AT THE VERY LEAST, WE'LL HELP YOU FEND OUT IF IT'S TRUE OR NOT.

SO JOSH CAME HOME WITH A PLAN. YEAH, SURE I WAS SCARED. YOU WOULD HAVE BEEN, TOO!
HE LEFT THE DORM TO GO HOME AND TELL HIS FAMILY WHAT HAD HAPPENED...
COULD YOU HAVE BEEN ANY DUMBER?!
YOU MEAN BY COMING HERE FOR SUPPORT, CAL?
DON'T GET SMART--
DON'T DISRESPECT ME!
LEVEL HEADS, PLEASE...
NO, MARTIN, HIS OVERT ACTIONS HAVE JEOPARDIZED EVERYHT--
YOU DO IT, THEN!
YOU GO BE TUROK AND I'LL STAND ON THE SIDELINES AND GIVE YOU CRAP!
CAL, YOU'RE BEING UNFAIR, AND JOSH, YOU WEREN'T VERY SUBTLE.
I MEAN, ASSAULTING THE PRESIDENT DURING THE EASTER EGG HUNT ON THE WHITE HOUSE LAWN--?!
WELL... IT SEEMED LIKE A GOOD IDEA AT THE TIME...
TUROK HAS TO LAY LOW. LET THIS MEDIA UPROAR DIE DOWN.
ACTUALLY, CAL, SINCE HE'S BEEN "IN-HIDING" SINCE THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT--
--I NEEDED YOUR D.O.A. CONTACTS TO HELP ME GET SOME INFO--
--ON THE PRESIDENT'S ITINERARY...

AND WHEN THAT DIDN'T GO OVER SO WELL, HE CAME BACK TO BOSWORTH DORM FOR SOME REAFFIRMATION...
BRRINGG
HELLO?
NO, HE'S AT CLASS. WHO'S CALLING?
YES, HE GOT YOUR MESSAGE.
YES, NANCY. Uh-Huh. NANCY CARTER. I'LL TELL HIM.
Ah, HACK... YOU CAN'T EVEN GET ONE GIRL WHILE FIRESEED IS IGNORING HIS EXTRAS!
GOT YOURS, YOU NEANDERTHAL...
COME AGAIN?
THAT'S WHAT HE SAID, TOO, DRAKE.
SHE CALLED AGAIN. MAKES HOW MANY TIMES THE LAST WEEK? Oh... A BILLION?!
WHATEVER.
AREN'T YOU THE LEAST BIT INTERESTED IN WHO SHE IS?
BAR, I'M THE HIGHEST RANKED COLLEGE SECOND BASE-MAN IN THE COUNTRY--
--HALF THE GIRLS I DATE SEE A MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR PAYCHECK IN MY FUTURE WHICH THEY'LL CLAIM HALF OF ONCE THEY DIVORCE ME!
WELL, AS LONG AS YOU KEEP ROMANCE ALIVE.
BY THE WAY, WHAT'S WITH THE POWER RANGERS GET-UP?
CLINTON-ZAPPING ZORD ACTIVATE!
I NEEDED A DISGUISE AND THIS OUTFIT WAS INSIDE THE LIGHT BURDEN.
I LIKE IT. IT HUGS MY CURVES.
WHEN I GO DOWN IN FLAMES, AT LEAST MY TUSH WILL LOOK GOOD!
AT LEAST ONE TUROK IN THE LINEAGE HAD THE GOOD SENSE TO LEAVE IT THERE, TOO...

HOW COULD I ARGUE WITH A HERO WHO USED SUCH *STRINGENT* CRITERIA FOR HIS BATTLE STRATEGY?
JOSH AND HIS TIGHT GLUTES LEFT FOR WASHINGTON.
GOOD THING OUR *SIGNAL* WASN'T FOR ME TO LOWER MY ZIPPER AND TAKE A WHIZ!
I'M ON MY OWN, *BRACKEN*.
I HAVE NO HELP FROM MY PEOPLE. THAT MEANS *D.O.A.* IS OUT TOO.
THEY'RE VESTED IN THE *SAQUINS*, NOT ANY ONE
I NEED YOUR HELP.
THE ARMORINES HAVE SECURITY ACCESS INTO SOME OF D.O.A.'S SYSTEMS.
WE'LL SEE WHAT WE CAN

AND OFF PRIVATE BRACKEN WENT TO GEORGETOWN TO MEET THE OTHER ARMORINES...
...KNOWING EVERY STEP HE TOOK LEGALLY BROUGHT HIM ONE STEP CLOSER TO TREASON.
DID YOU SEE HIM, ARNIE?
YEAH SARGE
IN PUBLIC IT'S SLATE OR DARREN, RIGHT?
SORRY SARGE.
HE STRUCK OUT WITH HIS CONTACTS
OKAY I ALREADY TOLD BILLY AND ZACH THAT I THINK THIS KID'S ON THE UP AND UP.
WHICH ISN'T TO SAY WE LIKE IT--
THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF MAY BE A SUBVERSIVE AGENT B--
EXACTLY WHERE DOES "LIKING-IT" FACTOR INTO THE EQUATION?
BUT SIR--I MEAN, DARREN--PLAYING DEVIL'S ADVOCATE--DO WE REALLY HAVE ENOUGH EVIDENCE?
WE GOT ZIP, BUT THE POSSIBILITY IS ENOUGH FOR ME, ARNOLD.
THEN IT'S ENOUGH FOR ME TOO SIR. I'M ON MY WAY TO THE PENTAGON...

IT'S IN D.C. SOUND LIKE HELP RIGHT NOW, AARON.
WE'RE GOING TO FIND OUT WHERE THE PRESIDENT IS, BRAVO KEPT
THANK YOU FOR THE ADVANCE WARNING.
I'VE'LL TAKE IT FROM HERE
COMMUN
ANA

TEK-TEK-TEK
EH?
LOOK BEHIND YOU
PFTT

COMMUNICATIONS ANALYSIS
AND ONE HOUR LATER ON SOME NICE SAFE SUBURBAN BLOCK IN SILVER SPRING...
F.B.I.!
SERGEANT

ALL THE NEXT DAY AND THROUGH THE NIGHT, I DIDN'T HEAR FROM JOSH
GREASETRUCK
DON'T YOU THINK THIS IS A BIT TOO BOB WOODWARD?
BAR
DORM PHONE IS BUGGED

OKAY, SO...I WAS DRAMATIZING FOR EFFECT
I HACKED INTO THE F.A.A. SYSTEMS--
ISOLATED COMMERCIAL ROUTES AGAINST MILITARY ONES--
CORRELATED AGAINST MILITARY BASES WORLD-WIDE WITH THE AVAILABILITY FOR REFUELING PLANES
I GOT SOME THING ON RADAR
AIR FORCE ONE AIR BORNE SINCE THE DAY OF JOSH'S ATTACK
Oh, GO AHEAD AND SAY IT--
--I AM A GENIUS

HE'S COMING RIGHT FOR US!
BRACE FOR IM—

CALM DOWN-- PLEASE. I'M NOT GOING TO HURT ANY ONE
I JUST HAVE TO SHOW ALL OF YOU SOME THING
AND THEN I'LL LEAVE
BECAUSE IT TOOK SO LONG TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO DO THIS THE RIGHT WAY--
VKK
HE SHOT THE PRESIDENT!

KKZZZZKKKZZZKKZZ
THE PRESIDENT IS A--
--A--
AN IGUANA?
A DINOSOID.
SERGEANT DARREN SLATE OF THE ARMORINES IS IN JAIL FOR MURDER.
HE DOESN'T BELONG THERE.
H-HOW DO YOU KNOW THAT?
BECAUSE THE SAME PEOPLE RESPONSIBLE FOR DISGUISING HIM AS CLINTON FRAMED SLATE...
VVVVMMMMMMM

JOSH CAME BACK, GOT A C- ON A TEST.
AT LEAST FOR ONE DAY, OUR LIFE WAS BACK TO NORMAL...
...SO WHAT IF THE REST OF THE WORLD WAS GOING TO HELL IN A HANDBASKET?...
HOW DO YOU THINK IT'S BEEN?
GORE IS RUNNING THE SHIP, BUT WE CAN'T TELL ANYONE!
NO, THEY STILL DON'T SUSPECT. BUT WE'RE ALL ON ALERT.
JOSHUA MUST BE STOPPED, YOU KNOW.
I KNOW. HE HAS A CANON TO LIVE BY...RULES AND ETHICS WHICH I USED TO BELIEVE IN, TOO...
...UNTIL YOU SHOWED ME A BIGGER PICTURE.
DID YOU RECEIVE THE PACKAGE I SENT?
SHIK
YES, AARON...
...I RECEIVED YOUR PACKAGE.
AND I'M PREPARED TO STOP JOSHUA...
...NO MATTER WHAT IT TAKES!
WELL, HINDSIGHT BEING 20/20...
...IT TOOK A VILLAGE.
NEXT: FIRE THE CANON!

WHAT's in the

OMAR SPEAKS:
I have nothing constructive to say. I'm a wreck. More fan letters.
— Omar

Dear Lynaire and Omar,

I read TUROK: TALES OF THE LOST LAND the other day and it rocked! Fabian, Rafael, and the entire gang of artists did an incredible job. I can't wait to read the first issue of the monthly!

Fabian Nicieza is the coolest writer around! I enjoy reading any stories that he writes and TUROK is one of his best yet (right after TROUBLEMAKERS). I am glad to see he is going to be working on the ongoing monthly series. I can't wait for March to come!

Rafael Kayanan is the man! I loved his pencils in this issue and I am happy to see he (and Don Hillsman) are going to be working on the monthly series as well! His pencils are some of the best around so please tell him to keep up the great work.

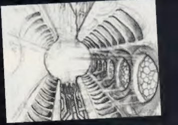
All of the stories were cool, but the ending was my favorite part! Will Josh really murder the president?!! This should make for a very interesting story. Anyway, I have to go now, but as I'm sure you know, I'll be back next time! Take care, everyone.

Rob Haney
Machesney Park, IL

I have to tell you, Rob, Raf and Don are an editorial team's dream — they never miss their deadlines, and they just get better with each eye-popping page they turn in. I'm lucky to work with them.

SPECIAL BONUS: ANOTHER LOOK

Here it is, I thought I would be nice again and give you another sneak peak at some of the stuff the lovely folks at Acclaim Entertainment are working on for the upcoming Turok 2 Videogame. Now imagine these bad boys jumpin' all over your TV screen — whew! It's almost too scary!



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BAG?

AT THE TUROK 2 VIDEO GAME!

ALSO OUT THIS MONTH:

QUANTUM & WOODY #15
Part 2 of the 4-part MAGNUM FORCE arc. WAR LOCKE, Terrence Magnum's super-powered enforcer, has taken Quantum & Woody captive, and our guys learn the true price of being a super hero as, for the first time, Quantum & Woody face a threat they can't joke their way out of. Also, more of the mystery behind their dads' deaths, what the EM chamber and control bands were REALLY meant to do, and whose *Village People* CD that was!
By Priest, Bright, and Adams
On sale April 8!

CONCRETE JUNGLE: THE LEGEND OF THE BLACK LION
New York City is a jungle, a dangerous landscape of bad guys and worse guys. Terry Smalls, a self-serving community activist who makes his living off of his famous black militant father, finds himself at the center of a bloody, violent power struggle when he accepts a gift from a strange African cleric and becomes heir to a timeless tribal legend.
By Priest, Fry, and Pepoy
On sale April 1!

TROUBLEMAKERS #17
How do the Troublemakers react when they become the hottest media darlings in the country? And how does G&G make chicken-so salad out of chicken $#*%? You'll be surprised to see what their plan is — and so will the Bellicose Brothers, Ninjak and the all-new villain named Turnabout!
By Nicieza, West, and Davis
On sale April 22!

NEXT ISSUE:

Hunted on Earth for his "attack" on the President, Joshua and Barry's escape into the Lost Land leads to some fun in the village of the four-breasted women and an encounter with the mysterious *Lazarus Concordance*. In order to save trillions, will Joshua sacrifice billions? With no one left he can trust, Turok decides to start doing things his own way — *the hard way!*
By Nicieza, Kayanan and Hillsman — On sale May 20!

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